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Guide to the

**Daniel Phoenix, Jr. receipt book**

1784-1788

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## Summary

**Creator:** Phoenix, Daniel, 1761-1828

**Title:** Daniel Phoenix, Jr. receipt book

**Date:** 1784-1788

**Size:** .21 linear feet (1 volume)

**Source:** Donated by Richard Maas, 1963

**Abstract:** Daniel Phoenix, Jr. (1761-1828) was a prosperous merchant, civic leader and militia officer who resided in Morristown, New Jersey for most of his life. He was the son of Alexander Phoenix of New York City, and the nephew of merchant Daniel Phoenix (1737-1812), for many years the Treasurer of New York City. After his father's death, Daniel was raised by his uncle, who removed to Morristown during the British occupation of New York. In his uncle's lifetime he was known as Daniel Phoenix, Jr. The receipt book of Daniel Phoenix, Jr., kept from 1784 to 1788 in New York City and Morristown, contains entries signed by recipients of money from Phoenix, either on Phoenix's own account or on behalf of others, with a few loose receipts. Payments are for financial notes, taxes, rent, the purchase of commodities such as flour and tobacco, and other items. A few New Jersey receipts are dated at places other than Morristown.

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## Key Terms

### Genre/Physical Characteristic

Account books

Receipts (financial records)

### Subjects

Accounts -- New Jersey -- Morristown -- 18th century

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## **Occupations**

Merchants